



I-10 Outside Widening Public Scoping Meeting

**Desert Edge High School
Goodyear, Arizona
August 17, 2006**



Tonight's Agenda



- 6:00 – 6:15 pm: Open house format
- 6:15 – 6:45 pm: Brief presentation/
question & answer session
- 6:45 – 8:00 pm: Open house format

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Maricopa County Regional Transportation Plan (RTP)

- In 2003, Maricopa Association of Governments (MAG) approved a \$15.8 billion RTP
- In 2004, voters approved Proposition 400, which provided the funding needed to implement the RTP

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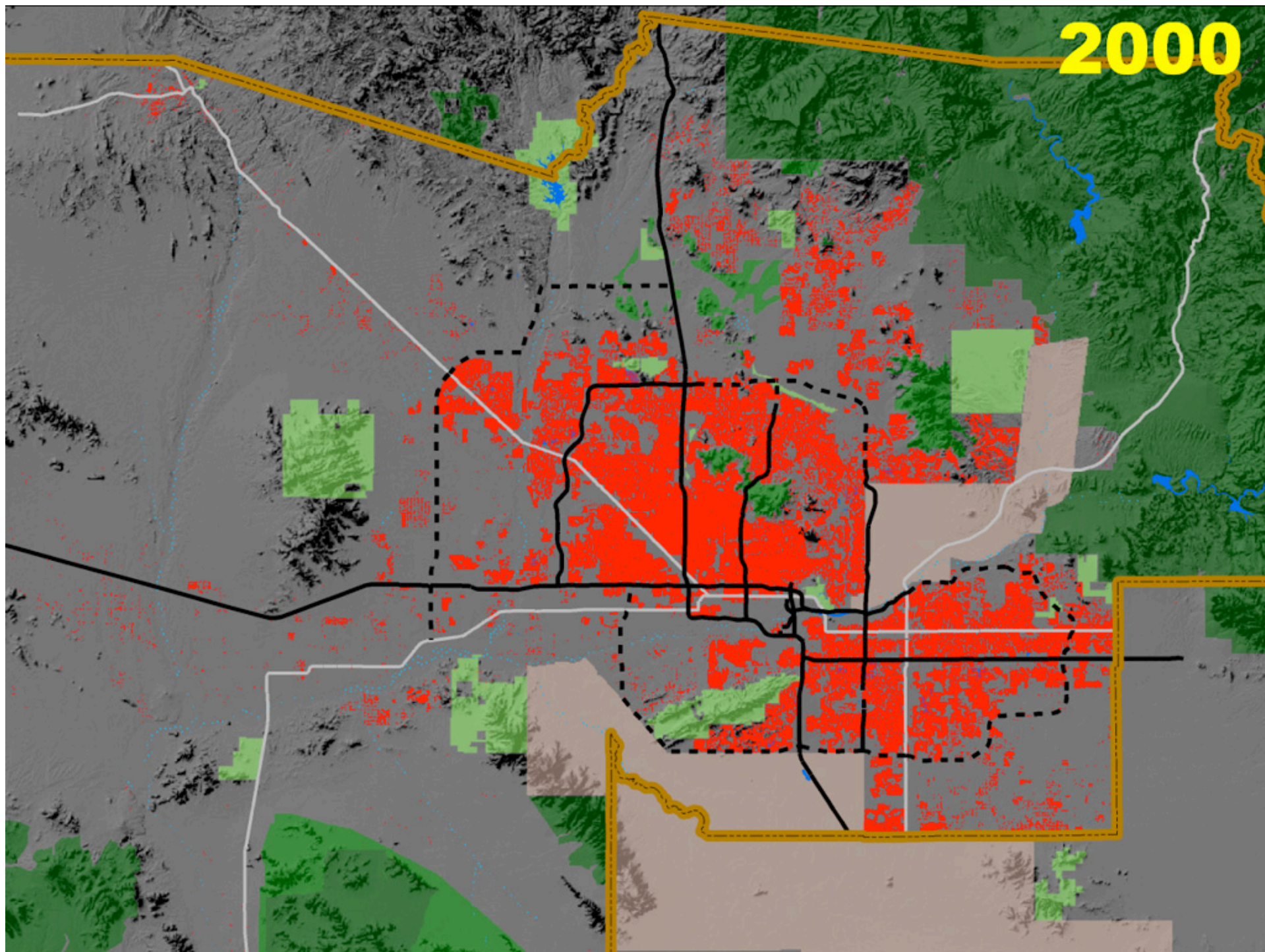
What is the RTP?

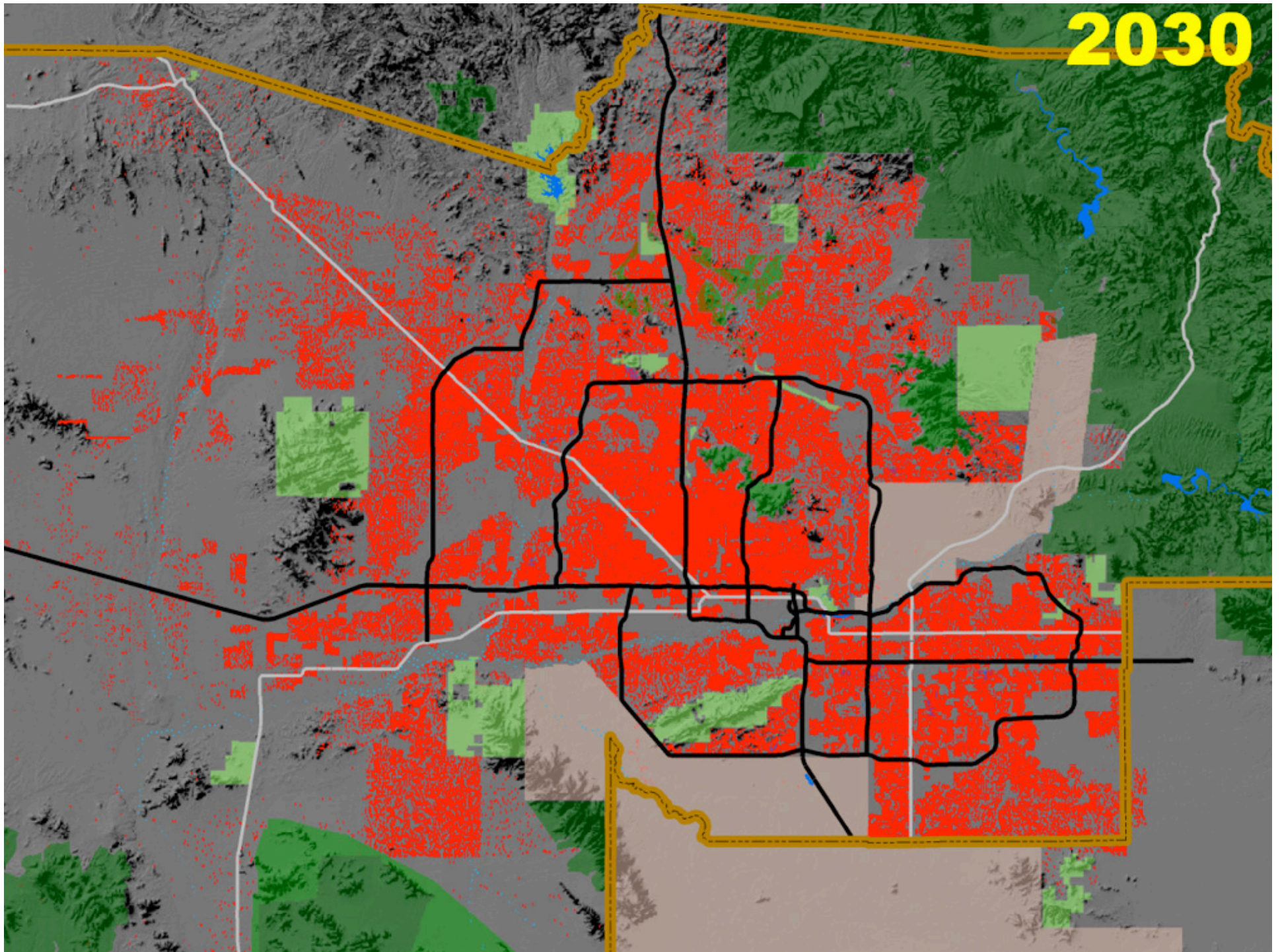
A partnership between ADOT, MAG, local cities, Valley Metro and Valley Metro Rail with the purpose of:

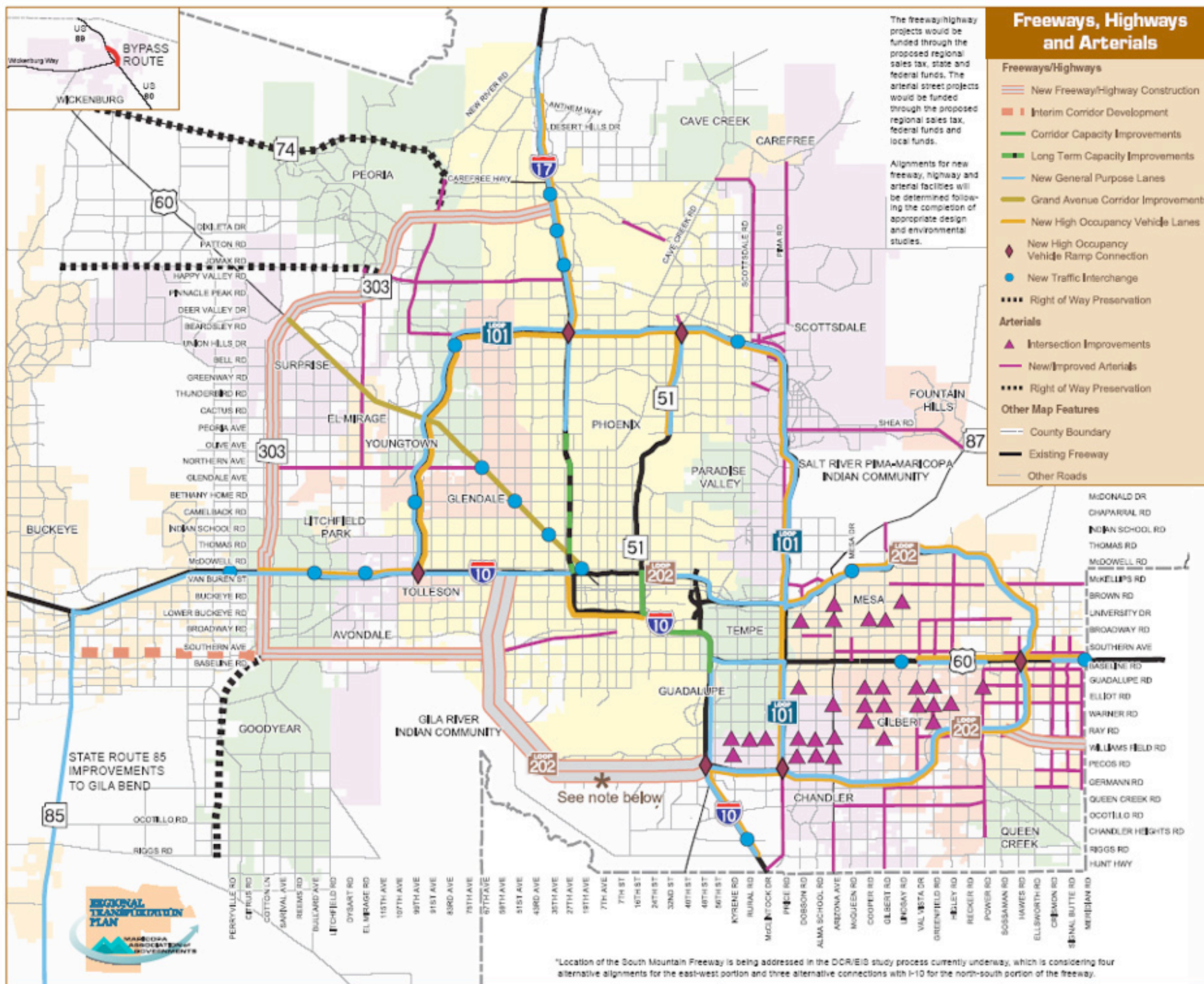
- Managing regional transportation programs
- Coordinating project implementation
- Developing finance strategies
- Fostering communication and public involvement elements
- Facilitating regional collaboration on transportation initiatives

Why was the RTP needed?

- Efficiently pool and prioritize regional resources
- Get buy-in from all communities and agencies for a balanced program
- Meet ever-increasing mobility needs of the community resulting from explosive growth







Role of ADOT

- Deliver the freeway portion of the RTP
- Conduct environmental studies to evaluate projects
- Purchase land for freeway routes and expansions
- Design freeway improvements
- Build and maintain freeway system
- Approve regional freeway enhancements

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ADOT Public Involvement

- Unprecedented commitment to public involvement
- Working closely with community members, businesses, and public officials
- Involving the public in the decision-making process in the early planning stages
- Continuing communication of information and public involvement during design and construction

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Role of FHWA

- Serve as lead federal agency
- Participate in study process
- Provide document review and approval
- Provide funding source for construction

Role of the MAG Regional Council

MAG Regional Council consists of elected officials from 31 communities in Maricopa County who:

- Conduct regional transportation planning and developed RTP
- Set priorities for phasing and funding of projects
- Approve accelerations and cost changes to RTP
- Approve air quality analysis on all regional transportation projects

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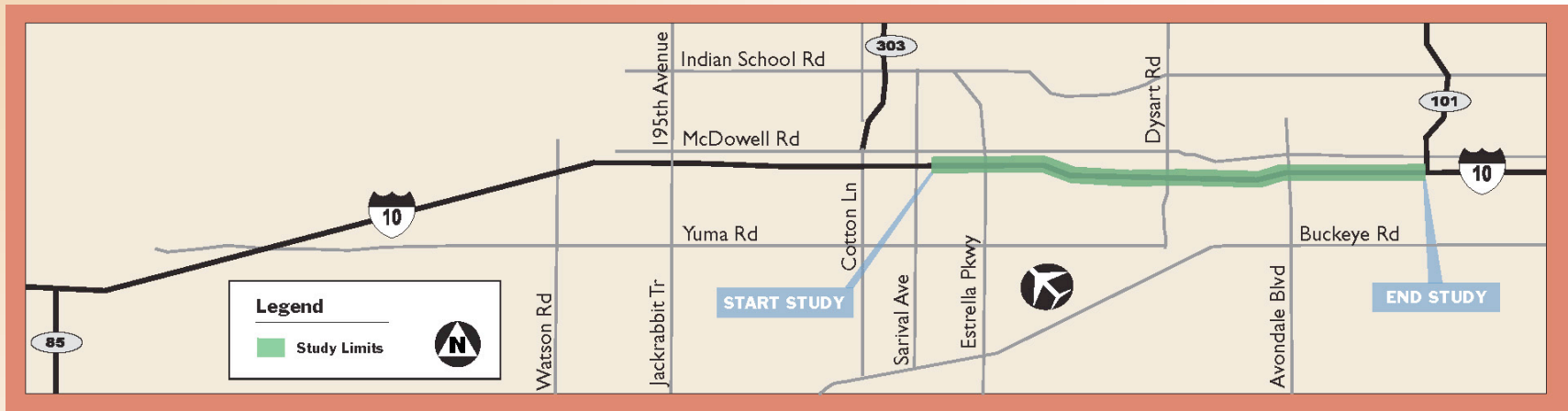
Role of Public

- Ask questions
- Provide feedback
- Tell us
 - What is important to you?
 - What are your concerns?

Study Purpose and Need

- Examine ways to provide additional capacity on Interstate 10 between Sarival Avenue and Loop 101
- Need created from
 - Current traffic congestion
 - Anticipated growth in the southwest Valley

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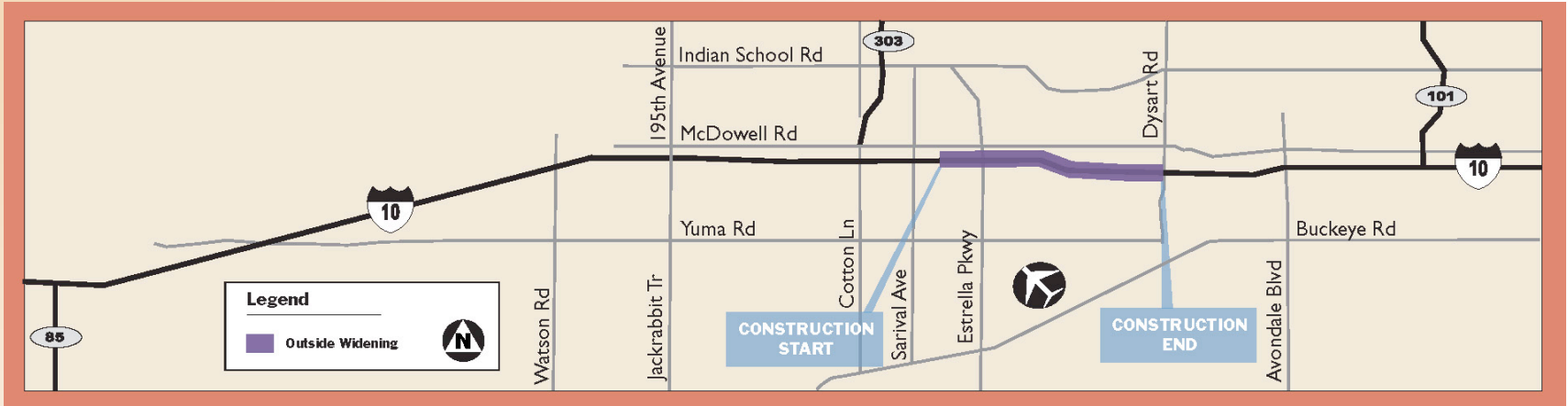


Sarival Avenue to Loop 101

- Studying eight miles of existing interstate including 100 feet north and south of existing ADOT right-of-way
- Identifying future improvements, such as additional general purpose or auxiliary lanes, necessary to meet projected traffic demands

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Sarival Avenue to Dysart Road

- Adding one general purpose lane in each direction adjacent to existing outside lanes*
- Construction scheduled to begin in fall 2008

*Additional lanes along I-10 may be constructed to accommodate future I-10/Loop 303 system interchange

Engineering Elements Considered

- Design criteria identification
- Right-of-way needs
- Utilities coordination
- Drainage analysis
- Traffic analysis
- Alternatives development
- Bridge selection analysis



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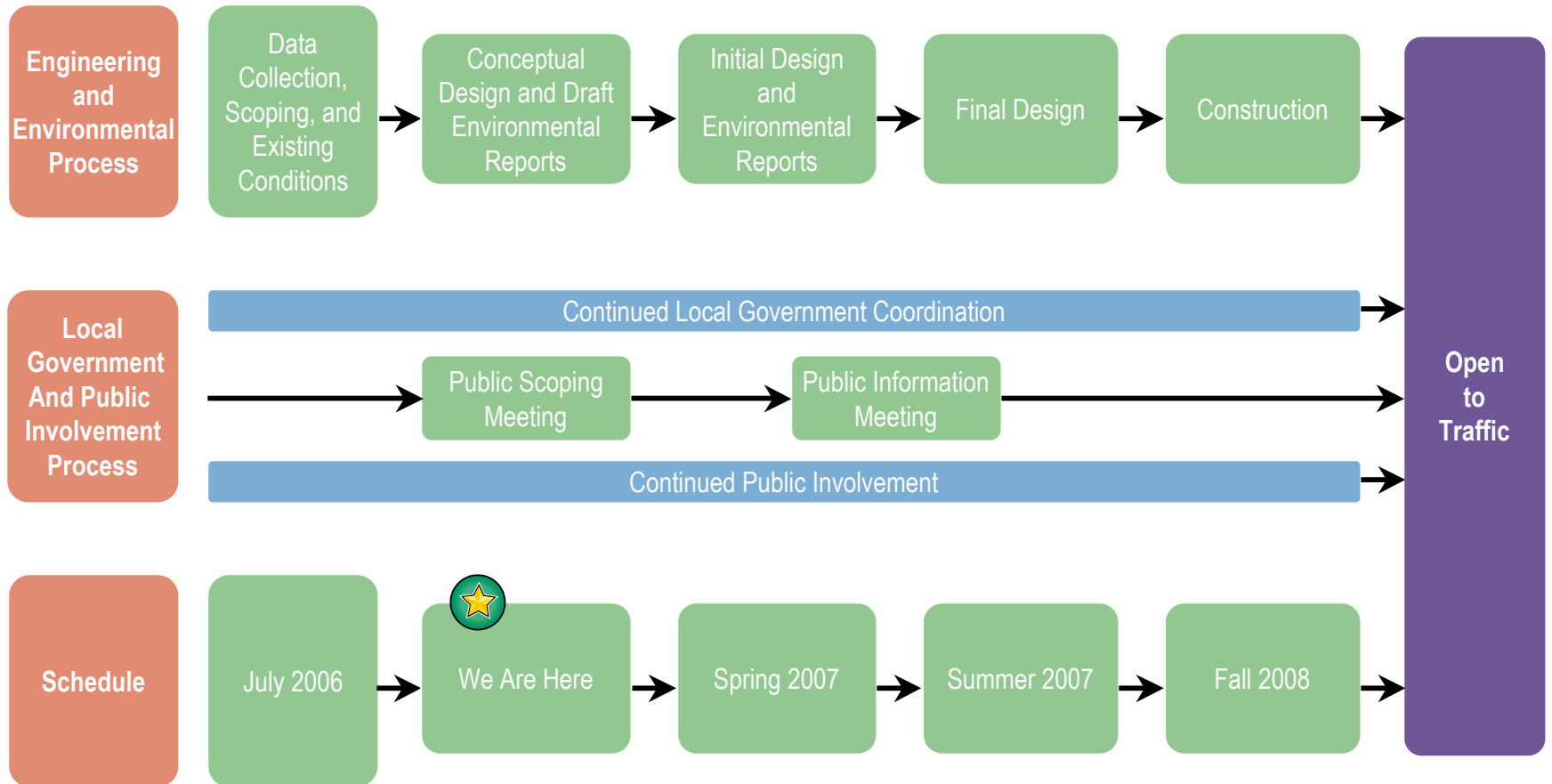
Environmental Elements Considered

- Air quality
- Noise impacts
- Biological resources
- Water quality and permitting
- Cultural/historic resources
- Hazardous materials
- Land use/socioeconomics
- Visual resources
- Floodplains



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Project Development Process

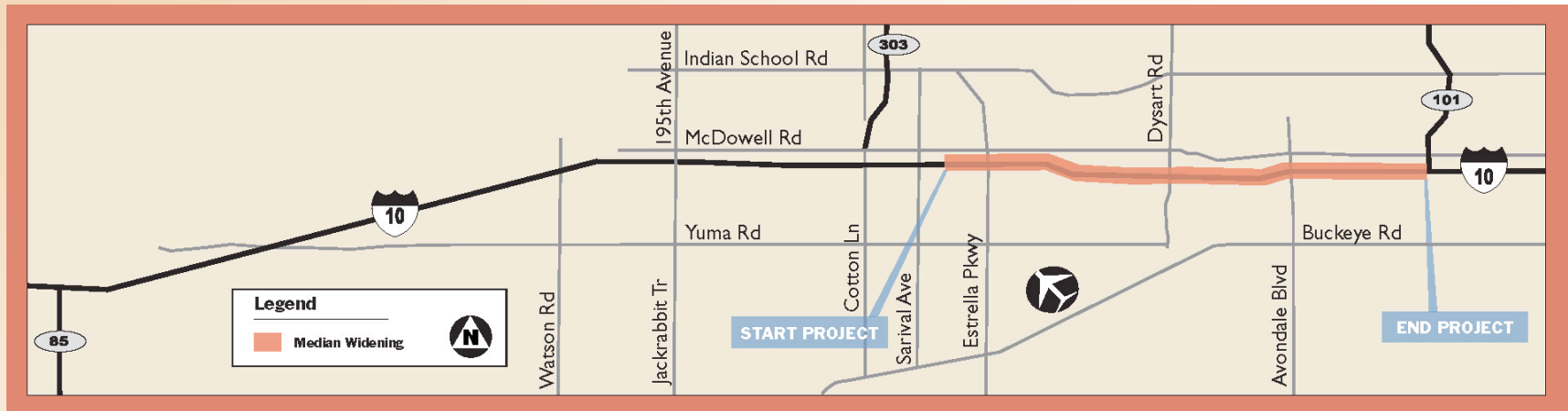


Project Development Schedule

- Funding accelerated by Valley mayors April 2006
- Began environmental and engineering study July 2006
- Complete environmental and engineering study Spring 2007
- Complete initial design Spring 2007
- Begin final design Summer 2007
- Begin construction Fall 2008

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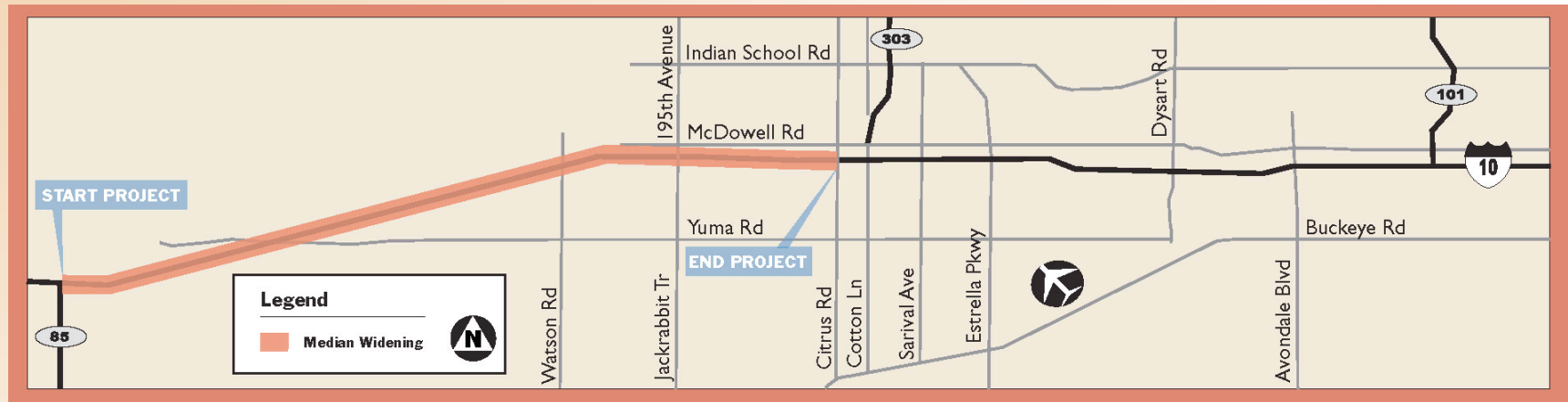
Project Update: I-10 Median Widening



Sarival Avenue to Loop 101

- Funding accelerated by Valley mayors in April 2006
- Adding one general purpose lane and one high-occupancy vehicle (HOV) lane in each direction in the existing median
- Construction scheduled to begin in fall 2007

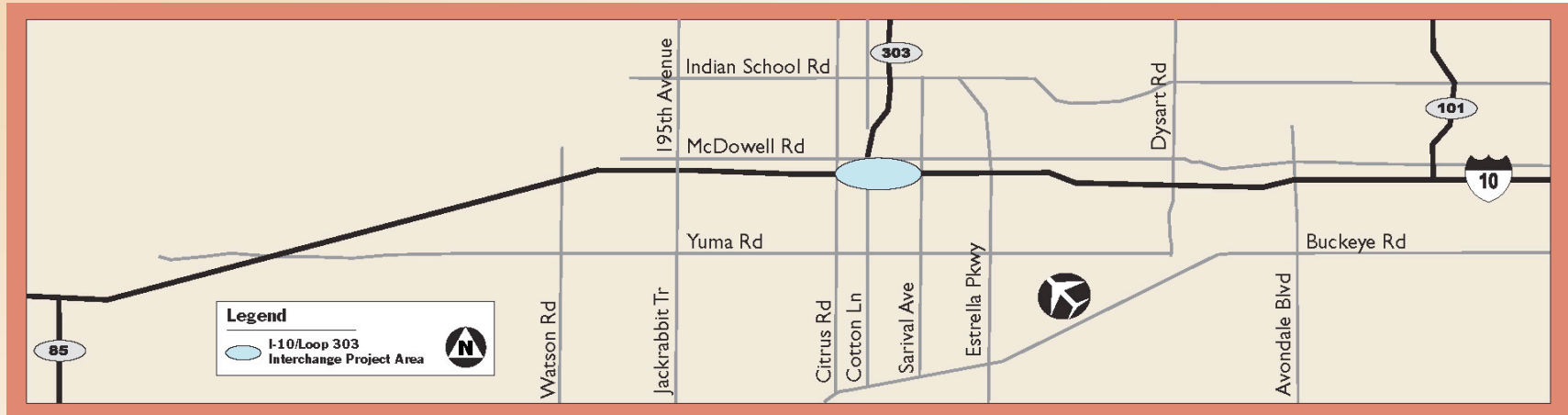
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State Route 85 to Citrus Road

- Local and state officials are exploring opportunities on your behalf to advance construction of these improvements
- Adding one general purpose lane in each direction in the existing median
- Construction scheduled to begin in 2023

Project Update: I-10 Improvements



Citrus Road to Sarival Avenue

- Improvements to I-10 necessary for the I-10/Loop 303 system interchange are currently under study by the Maricopa County Department of Transportation

Ways to Provide Comments



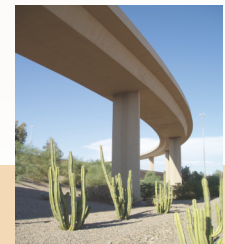
- Write comments on the flip chart located near exhibits
- E-mail comments
- Call the study information hotline at (602) 288-9905
- Submit comment form
 - Drop in a comment box tonight
 - Mail by September 25, 2006
 - FAX

E-mail, mail, and FAX information is located on the comment form

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Questions & Answers





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Thank you!

